

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Tuesday, March 25, 2014.

Met according to adjournment, at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal session, with Mr. Kafka of Stoughton in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

Pledge of
allegiance.

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Kafka), the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Message from the Governor.

Military
installations,—
bond terms.

A message from His Excellency the Governor recommending legislation relative to providing the terms of certain bonds encouraging the improvement, expansion and development of military installations in the Commonwealth (House, No. 3982), was filed in the office of the Clerk on Monday, March 24.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 17G, with the accompanying draft of a bill, to the committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Myles Virgil
Peters.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. McMurtry of Dedham) congratulating Myles Virgil Peters on receiving the Eagle Award from the Boy Scouts of America; and

Justin Scott
Vitiello.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. McMurtry of Dedham) congratulating Justin Scott Vitiello on receiving the Eagle Award from the Boy Scouts of America;

Mr. Binienda of Worcester, for the committee on Rules, reported, in each instance, that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on motion of Mrs. Poirier of North Attleborough, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Petition.

New Bedford,—
liquor
license.

Mr. Cabral of New Bedford presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3980) of Antonio F. D. Cabral and others (with the approval of mayor and city council) that the city of New Bedford be authorized to issue an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises; and the same was referred to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Veterans'
benefits.

A report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches, with reference to the House amendment of the Senate Bill relative to veterans' allowances, labor, outreach and recognition

(Senate, No. 1885) (for report, see Senate, No. 2052), came from the Senate with the endorsement that it had been accepted by said branch; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, for said committee, then reported recommending that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House; and it was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next sitting, the question being on acceptance.

A Bill designating June 14 as the birthday of the United States Army and June 9 as General Sylvanus Thayer day (Senate, No. 1963) (on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

General
Sylvanus
Thayer
day.

Reports

Of the committee on Transportation, asking to be discharged from further consideration

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1651) of Cynthia S. Creem for legislation relative to the penalties for drag racing; and

Drag racing.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1681) of Mark C. Montigny for legislation to facilitate the completion of the New Bedford/Fall River commuter rail extension project;

New Bedford
and
Fall River,—
commuter
rail.

And recommending the same severally be referred to the Senate committee on Ways and Means.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were considered forthwith, under Rule 42; and they were accepted, in concurrence, inasmuch as relates to the discharge of the committee.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2065) of Harriette L. Chandler and James J. O'Day (with the approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation relative to the board of health in the city of Worcester, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Worcester,—
board of
health.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the Bill authorizing the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to convey certain property at Northampton State Hospital (Senate, No. 2006) [Local Approval Received], be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Northampton
State
Hospital.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of the Ms. Khan of Newton, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the Bill relative to prevent [sic] shackling and promote safe pregnancies for female inmates (House, No. 1433), be scheduled for consideration by the House, with the amendment previously recommended by the committee on Ways and Means,— that the bill be amended by substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 3978),— pending.

Female
inmates.

Female inmates.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Ms Khan of Newton, the bill was read a second time forthwith.

The amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means then was adopted; and the substituted bill (House, No. 3978) was ordered to a third reading.

Optometric care.

By Mr. Sánchez of Boston, for the committee on Public Health, on Senate, No. 1070 and House, Nos. 1981 and 1987, a Bill relative to the modernization of optometric patient care (House, No. 1981, changed in section 1, in line 1, by striking out the year "2010" and inserting in place thereof the year "2012", and, in line 2, by striking out the figures "244" and inserting in place thereof the figures "248").

Midwives,—certification.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 1081 and House, No. 2008, a Bill relative to certified professional midwives (House, No. 3971).

Acupuncture.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 1107 and House, No. 2051, a Bill relative to the practice of acupuncture (House, No. 3972).

Medical physics.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 1894, a Bill relative to the practice of medical physics (House, No. 3973).

Cosmetics,—safety.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, Nos. 1990 and 2062, a Bill relative to safe cosmetics in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (House, No. 3974).

State property,—vending machines.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 2011, a Bill relative to expanding access to healthy food choices in vending machines on state property (House, No. 3975).

Cost-effective care.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 2084, a Bill relative to keep [sic] people healthy by removing barriers to cost-effective care (House, No. 3976).

Palliative care.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 2104, a Bill to improve quality of life by expanding access to palliative care (House, No. 3977).

Severally referred, under Rule 1E, to the committee on Health Care Financing.

By Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the following bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

Northampton,—liquor license.

The Senate Bill authorizing the city of Northampton to issue an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (Senate, No. 1962, amended) [Local Approval Received]; and

House bills

Lottery.

Relative to lottery compliance investigations (House, No. 2781);

Uncle Sam day.

To establish Uncle Sam day (House, No. 2813);

Minuteman and Militia day.

Setting apart the third Saturday of the month of October as Massachusetts Minuteman and Militia day (House, No. 2856);

Williams Syndrome.

Designating the second week of May as Williams Syndrome awareness week (House, No. 2899);

Breast cancer.

Designating inflammatory breast cancer awareness day (House, No. 2901);

Authorizing the appointment of Billy Ray Hawkins, Jr., as a firefighter in the city of Haverhill notwithstanding the maximum age requirement (House, No. 3228) [Local Approval Received];

Haverhill,—
Billy Ray
Hawkins, Jr.

Relative to novelty sparklers (House, No. 3262);

Sparklers.

Authorizing the appointment of Scott Bradish as a firefighter in the city of Haverhill notwithstanding the maximum age requirement (House, No. 3487) [Local Approval Received];

Haverhill,—
Scott
Bradish.

Authorizing the appointment of Scott Marchand as a firefighter in the city of Haverhill notwithstanding the maximum age requirement (House, No. 3807) [Local Approval Received];

Haverhill,—
Scott
Marchand.

Relative to the appointment of special police officers, to be known as Newton police retiree detail patrol, in the city of Newton (House, No. 3864) [Local Approval Received];

Newton,—
special
police.

Relative to junior operator's licenses (House, No. 3842);

Junior operators.

Relative to the charter of the city of Somerville (House, No. 3919) [Local Approval Received];

Somerville,—
charter.

Relative to limited liability companies (House, No. 3944); and

Limited liability.

Relative to licensing in the Commonwealth (House, No. 3946);

Licensing.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next sitting for a second reading.

Orders of the Day.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Carmen Mahone, an employee of the Trial Court (House, No. 3964), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading be correctly, was read a third time.

Carmen
Mahone,—
sick leave.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Galvin of Canton moved to amend it by substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 3981), which was read.

The amendment was adopted; and the substituted bill was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet tomorrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At eleven minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mrs. Poirier of North Attleborough (Mr. Kafka of Stoughton being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.